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20 February 1958

Mr. Walter H. Wager

Dear Mr. Wager:

Mr. Dulles has asked me to reply to your letter of 4 January in regard to the anthology on O.S.S. I apologize for the delay in acknowledgment.

Mr. Dulles regrets that he will be unable to write a foreword or introduction for your book inasmuch as it is his policy not to participate in an activity of this type while he is holding an official position. However, he has no objection to your reprinting an excerpt from his book, "Germany's Underground," and for this no fee is necessary.

We do not maintain here for public use books, articles or pictures on the O.S.S., but we have attached a list of several books on the subject which may prove of some use to you.

Sincerely yours,

S/
Liam B. Kirkpatrick
Inspector General

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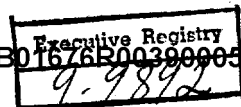
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January 4, 1958

Mr. Allan Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

I am collecting material for a factual anthology on the O.S.S., and Miss Seult of the V.O.S.S. has suggested that I get in touch with you in connection with four matters.

First, I'd like permission to reprint an excerpt from your own book on the German Underground- at the regular anthology fee. Second, I'd be particularly pleased if you would consider writing a foreword or introduction - of any length you deem suitable. Third, does the C.I.A. library have a list of or collection of articles and books on O.S.S. and would this material be open for study ? Fourth, are there declassified photos of O.S.S. personnel and operations that might be available ?

As a writer who has published two novels and appeared in magazines ranging from the Saturday Evening Post to the Air University Quarterly Review, I really believe in this book. I realize that you are extremely busy, but hopefully look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Walter Wager

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Mr. Walter H. Wager



Dear Mr. Wager:

Thank you very much for your letter of 4 January concerning the material you are collecting for a factual anthology on the OSS.

In view of my position as the Director of Central Intelligence, it has been my policy not to participate in an activity of this type, therefore I will be unable to write a foreword or introduction for your book. However, I have no objection to your reprinting an excerpt from my book, "Germany's Underground", and for this no fee is necessary.

Within the Agency, we do not attempt to maintain for public use books, articles, or pictures on the OSS. In the hope that it may be of some use to you, I am enclosing a partial check-list of books dealing with the OSS. This is not a complete listing and I am sure you can find several additional titles in the Library of Congress or elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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